## LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

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BOARD MEETING

Friday, September 5, 1986

JACK CAPPEL CHAIRMAN

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

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#### MINUTES OF MEETING OF

#### LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

September 5, 1986

Chairman Jack Cappel presiding:

Mr. Eyle Crain

Mr. George Gray

Mr. Joe Palmisano

Mr. Dale Vinet

Mr. J. Burton Angelle was also present.

The minutes of the meeting of August 15, 1986 were approved with a motion from Mr. Vinet and seconded by Mr. Gray.

Ray Montet gave the Enforcement Report for the month of July at Thursday's meeting. Charlie Clark also made a presentation on the different Personal Flotation Devices.

Bennie Fontenot presented rules on the netting prohibitions in Toledo Bend Reservoir, Cross Lake and Caney Creek Lake.

(The full text of the Rules is made a part of the record)

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby prohibits the use of fish nets (gill nets, trammel nets, hoop nets, fish seines) in Cross Lake, Caddo Parish, Shreveport, Louisiana.

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby prohibits the use of gill nets, trammel nets, flag webbing and fish seines in the Louisiana portion of Toledo Bend Reservoir located in Sabine and DeSoto Parishes, Louisiana; and, hoop nets are prohibited during March 1 through May 15 each year only in that portion of Toledo Bend Reseroir from a point north of Logansport where the lake enters Texas, and south to a point on the lake where the Texas Duck Refuge Canal intersects the old channel of the Sabine River.

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby prohibits the use of fish nets (gill nets, trammel nets, hoop nets, fish seines) in Caney Creek Reservoir, Jackson Parish, Chatham, Louisiana.

Mr. Palmisano made a motion to ratify these rules, seconded by Mr. Vinet and approved unanimously.

The Survey Report was given by Harry Schafer at Thursday's meeting for the period of August 4-September 1, 1986. During this period 162 surveys were scheduled, and 23 were unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor. Lease rental collected was \$2,684.83, survey fees collected was \$2,900.45, 27 applications were filed and 30 new leases were issued.

Hugh Bateman presented a resolution to ratify the water-fowl season dates for 1986-87. Mr. Vinet made a motion, seconded by Mr. Crain and was unanimously passed.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record)

- WHEREAS, Department personnel have attended numerous waterfowl meetings for the prupose of reviewing status of duck and geese and developing hunting season rules and regulations for 1986-87, and
- WHEREAS, the Commission at its August 15, 1986 meeting heard Game Division staff recommendations for proposed waterfowl (ducks, geese and coots) season dates and bag limits and approved those recommended, and
- WHEREAS, final framework information has been received from the Fish and Wildlife Service by the Department and selection of dates and bag limits made by the Commission, now
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the dates and bag limits for ducks, geese, and coots are hereby ratified and adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission on this date, September 5, 1986.

Johnnie Tarver presented a Notice of Intent with reference to the alligator season for 1986-87.

(The full text of the Notice of Intent is made a part of the record)

The alligator industry of Louisiana represents a renewable resource, valuable to the economy providing income to in excess of 1,000 participants for the 30-day harvesting season. The annual harvest of surplus and nuisance animals is in keeping with wise wildlife management techniques based upon scientific research and resulting management.

The regulations governing the taking, tagging, tag allotment, sale and shipment of alligators and products for the 1986 season may be viewed at the Quail Drive Office off Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, phone: 504/342-9259.

The Department Secretary shall be authorized to close or extend the alligator season as biologically justifiable.

Mark F. Donham, President of the East St. Mary Area Chamber of Commerce represented the Mayor of Morgan City with reference to the Atchafalaya Bay Closure of Oyster Beds by the Health Department. He has requested the Commission to help St. Mary Parish in having a sanitary survey taken as soon as possible so these valuable resources will not be wasted.

Ray Montet read letters from supervisors recommending each agent of the year by region. These agents are Dalton Green, Alan Bankston, Brian Keith Lacaze, Dean Cryer, Brian Spillman, Forrest Travirca, Mike Welch and Wayne Vidos was picked as Agent of the Year to represent the Department at the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies meeting in Baltimore, Maryland. The award plaques were presented and pictures were taken.

#### DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

# Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular meeting on Friday, August 15, 1986, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, tentatively set the 1986-87 duck and goose hunting season dates based on recommendations of department personnel who had attended numerous technical meetings as well as public testimony by Louisiana sportsmen interested in waterfowl hunting.

The season length framework dates, shooting hours, bag limits, etc. were set by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service in a formal letter which was received August 26, 1986.

Therefore, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby ratify and adopt the 1986-87 season dates and other waterfowl regulations recommended on August 15, 1986.

#### 1986-87 WATERFOWL SEASONS

DUCKS AND COOTS	
West Zone	
Nov. 8 (Sate) - Nove. 30 (Sun.)	23 DAYS
Dec. 20 (Sat.) - Jan. 10 (Sat.)	22 DAYS
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East Zone	10 0470
Nov. 22 (Sat.) - Dec. 1 (Mon.)	10 DAYS
Dec. 20 (Sat.) - Jan. 18 (Sun.)	30 DAYS
	40 DAYS
GEESE	
West Zone	
Nov. 8 (Sat.) - Nov. 30 (Sun.)	23 DAYS
Dec. 20 (Sat.) - Feb. 4 (Wed.)	47 DAYS
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East Zone	
Nov. 22 (Sat.) - Jan. 30 (Fri.)	70 DAYS
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Jan. 19 (Mon.) - Jan. 31 (Sat.)	13 DAYS

J. Burton Angelle Secretary

#### RULE

#### Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

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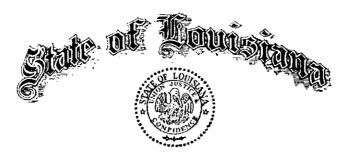
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#### DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

DISTRICT VIII 400 ROYAL ST. NEW ORLEANS, LA 70130 EDWIN W. EDWARDS

#### COASTAL & MARINE RESOURCES

SURVEY SECTION
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ACTIVITY REPORT

AUGUST 4, 1986 THRU SEPTEMBER 1, 1986

During this period field activity consisted of:

162 - Surveys that were scheduled.

23 - Surveys that were unabled to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor.

Surveys that were completed consisted of:

50 - Leases that were tied into the monument control system.

13 - Applications for new area.

46 - Restake applications.

22 - 15 year limitations.

#### Total field activity:

<u>1984</u>	<u>1985</u>	1986	
890 530 304	1023 546 441	1156 879 254	<ul> <li>Surveys scheduled</li> <li>Surveys performed</li> <li>Surveys unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor</li> </ul>
0	1	2	- Survey where fishermen refused to survey
3	0	0	- Disputes settled
53	35	18	- No shows
0	0	3	- Applications cancelled by request

#### Office activity during this period:

\$2,684.83	- Lease rental collected
\$2,900.45	- Survey fees collected
27	- Applications filed
30	- New leases issued



#### RESOLUTION

#### Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

#### Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

- The following resolution was presented to the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission during it's regular monthly meeting held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana at QuaidkDrive on September 5, 4986.
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#### NOTICE OF INTENT

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The Department Secretary shall be authorized to close or extend the alligator season as biologically justifiable.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule to Johnnie Tarver, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70895.

J. Burton Angelle

TO: Chairman and Members of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

FROM: Mark F. Donham, President

East St. Mary Chamber of Commerce

Date: September 4, 1986

RE: Atchafalaya Bay Closure of Oyster Beds by the Health Department

Chairman and members of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, I am Mark F. Donham, President of the East St. Mary Area Chamber of Commerce and I am representing the Mayor of Morgan City, Cedric LaFleur, and the Parish President, Prescott Foster. Thank you for allowing me to come here today. I will briefly discuss the hope St. Mary Parish has in developing its oyster beds in Atchafalaya Bay.

During the last four years, much has changed in the oyster industry. With the reorganization and involvement of the Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference, tighter controls have been placed on the harvesting and interstate shipment of Louisiana oysters.

Plaquemines Parish has long been active in the oyster business. Because of this, they have worked hard to ensure that the most up-to-date data has been kept on the pollution level in their Parish. Many of the oyster farmers in Plaquemines Parish have recently discovered the value of the oysters in Atchafalaya Bay. They have met with Mayor Lafleur and have agreed to help St. Mary Parish prepare to gather needed data.

St. Mary Parish has been spending much money to put on-line, facilities that will control pollution from sewerage. Because of the small amount of oyster harvesting in the past St. Mary Parish has not been aware of the need for monitoring the level of sewerage that could potentially harm oyster harvesting. This lack of data has led to the closing of oyster beds by the Health Department that might otherwise have been opened for bagging of oysters.

It is the bagging of these oysters that is the most important to our area. Bagging in Atchafalaya Bay is important because this brings the resource closer to our ports. With the oysters harvested in

Atchafalaya Bay, our area will see more oysters unloaded. This should increase the possibility of having oysters processed in our area which will create more jobs. Creating jobs in our area is particularly important because we have 22% of our labor force unemployed.

On September 3, 1986, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries opened the bay as a seeding and sacking area. The Health Department has closed over 75% of the area. This closure will result in the wasting of our valuable natural resources. This will not allow for further economic development of our area which we desperately need.

Parish and local officials realize the manpower limits the state has for monitoring and sampling the water quality for the whole state. A commitment has been made by Parish and Morgan City officials to train two people to monitor the Atchafalaya Bay area and to update lab facilities for State certification.

With this commitment, Parish President Pres Foster, Morgan City Mayor Cedric LaFleur, Patterson Mayor Pro-temp Gus Lipari and Berwick Mayor Everett Berry ask that this commission help St. Mary Parish in having a sanitary survey taken as soon as possible so these valuable resources will not be wasted.

This survey will compile and update the data the Health Department currently uses. We feel that with the improved waste water treatment facilities in the Parish, much of the area currently closed by the Health Department will be opened.

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# CEDRIC S. LAFLEUR

P. O. Box 1218 Morgan City, Louisiana 70381 Telephone 504-385-1770



August 18, 1986

#### COUNCILMEN:

GREGORY J. HAMER, Mayor Pro-Tem CALVIN J. AUCOIN C. R. BROWNELL, JR., M.D. ALLEN TEMPLET EDITH S. WADHAMS

Mr. J. Burton Angelle
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
P. O. Box 15570
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Angelle:

It is my understanding that the next meeting of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission will be held on September 4 and 5, 1986.

The City of Morgan City is interested in being placed on your agenda to discuss the oyster beds in our area.

Please advise if it is possible for us to appear before your commission, and if so, the particulars as to the date, time, and place.

Your favorable consideration in this matter will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

CITY OF MORGAN CIT

Cedric S. LaFleur

Mayor

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#### Road Use Changes

Purpose: The changes to go into effect this fall are being made to improve hunter access and reduce maintenance costs while continuing to provide adequate access to harvest the resources available.

Overview: 7 Wildlife Management Areas affected

Total Vehicle Roads	s and ATV Trails ATV Trails Vehicle Roads	357 miles 83 miles > (23%) 274 miles > (77%)
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Red River WMA - (District IV)	Converted to ATV New ATV Vehicle Roads Total	20.5 miles > (36.8%) 1.3 miles > (63.27%) 59.3 miles
Three Rivers WM/ (District IV)	Converted to ATV Vehicle Roads Total	9 miles > (19.8%) 36.5 miles - (80.2%) 45.5 miles
Saline WMA (District IV)	Converted to ATV Vehicle Roads Total	16.5 miles > (14.5%) 97.5 miles > (85.5%) 114 miles
Boeuf WMA (District IV)	Converted to ATV New ATV Vehicle Roads Total	11 miles > (22.8%) 7 miles 61 miles > (72.2%) 79 miles
Big Lake WMA (District IV)	Converted to ATV New ATV Vehicle Roads Total	3 miles > (35.7%) 6.75 miles > (64.2%) 27.25 miles
Spring Bayou WMA (District VI)	A Converted to ATV Vehicle Roads Total	5.5 miles > (66.7%) 2.75 miles > (33.3%) 8.25 miles
Grassy Lake WMA (District VI)	Converted to ATV Vehicle Roads Total	2.75 miles > (11.2%) 21.75 miles > (88.8%) 24.50 miles



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July 17, 1986

Ms. Paula Callais Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries P.O. Box 15570 Baton Rouge, LA 70895

Dear Ms. Callais,

It is indeed a pleasure to present the following contract regarding your sleeping accommodations. The information listed has two purposes: first, it represents a definite agreement between the Sheraton Baton Rouge Hotel and Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries; second, we hope that this information will be helpful to you and your staff in planning and discussion of your final program. We believe that by specifying the conditions and services relative to your arrangements both you and the Sheraton Baton Rouge Hotel.

Please review the contract carefully making any corrections you feel necessary. Sign and return one copy to me by August 1, 1986 keeping the additional copy for your records. Should you have any questions concerning the enclosed information, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

We look forward to seeing you at the Sheraton Baton Rouge Hotel soon!

Sincerely,

Jennye Timmons

Corporate Sales Manager

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